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**PETITION FOR REVIVAL OF AN APPLICATION FOR PATENT ABANDONED  
UNINTENTIONALLY UNDER 37 CFR 1.137(b)**Docket Number (Optional)  
98,714

First named inventor: Baunoch

Application No.: 09/212,367

Art Unit: 1623

Filed: December 15, 1998

Examiner: Beisner

Title: Method and Apparatus for Automated Reprocessing of Tissue Samples

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- (4) Statement that the entire delay was unintentional.

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